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TITLE OF INVENTION: SHOCK-ABSORBING MEMBER, SHOCK-ABSORBING METHOD OF ELECTRONIC DEVICE EMPLOYING THE MEMBER, AND ELECTRONIC DEVICE ADAPTING THE MEMBER AND THE METHOD

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